Interim Recommendations for 2004-2005 Flu Season*

The following are the groups prioritized to receive flu vaccine this season:

- All children aged 6-23 months
- Adults aged 65 years or older
- Persons aged 2-64 years with underlying chronic medical conditions
- All women who will be pregnant during influenza season
- Residents of nursing homes and long-term care facilities
- Children and teenagers, 6 months-18 years of age on chronic aspirin therapy
- Health care workers with direct patient care
- Out-of-home caregivers and household contacts of children less than 6 months old

People in the following groups should not get flu vaccine before talking with their doctor:

- People who have a severe allergy to hens' eggs
- People with a history of Guillain-Barré syndrome

People not in these groups should forego the influenza vaccine this season.

